

AMENDATORY SECTION (Amending WSR 05-01-174, filed 12/21/04, effective 1/21/05)

WAC 308-15-030 How do I apply for a geologist license? (1) Review the available options for licensure:

(a) Examination in WAC 308-15-050; and

(b) Reciprocity in WAC 308-15-060.

(2) Complete and submit your application according to the directions in the geologist application packet, which is available on the geologist web site and upon request from the board office.

(3) Verify you meet minimum educational requirements by having your official sealed transcripts sent directly to the board office from your college or university. Transcripts from schools outside the United States or Canada must be evaluated by a board-approved evaluation service. The evaluation service must send the original evaluation and a copy of the transcripts directly to the board office.

(4) Solicit personal references and verifications of experience in the format and on the forms specified in the application instructions. Verifications must be sent to the board directly from the originating source.

(5) If applying for a license by reciprocity, solicit verification of your current license or certification and your examination scores on the form provided in the application packet. Verification must be sent directly to the board from the issuing jurisdiction.

(6) If applying for a specialty license, submit a project list on the forms provided in the application packet to show you meet the minimum requirements of professional specialty practice of a character satisfactory to the board.

(7) If requested by the board, submit one or more reports you contributed to or solely prepared.

(8) If applying for a license by examination, your complete application, as described in subsection (9) of this section, must be received by the board at least ~~((sixty))~~ ninety calendar days before the date of the examination.

(9) An application is not complete and will not be considered until all of the following are received by the board:

(a) Application, signed and dated, and without omissions;

(b) Application fee and, if applying for a specialty by examination, the examination fee specified in WAC 308-15-150;

(c) Transcripts sent directly from the colleges or universities;

(d) Personal references sent directly from the originators;

(e) Verification of experience sent directly from the verifiers;

(f) If applying by reciprocity, verification of exam scores and license or certification in another jurisdiction;

(g) If applying for a specialty license, project list; and

(h) Other documentation requested by the board.

WAC 308-15-050 What is the examination process to be licensed as a geologist? You must take and pass the ASBOG examination. The examination currently consists of two parts: Fundamentals of Geology and Practice of Geology. Each part of the examination is four hours long. Information on the examination is available on the ASBOG web site.

(1) **Applying for the examination:** You may either:

(a) Apply to take the Fundamentals of Geology exam after you meet the minimum educational requirements for licensure, and the Practice of Geology exam after you meet the experience requirements outlined in WAC 308-15-040.

(i) To apply to take the Fundamentals of Geology exam, you must provide the board with an application; a certified copy of your transcripts, sent directly from your college or university; and the application ~~((and examination))~~ fee~~((s))~~ listed in WAC 308-15-150. You do not need to submit employment and experience verification forms or personal references.

(ii) After you meet the minimum experience requirements, you may apply for the Practice of Geology examination by submitting the remaining application documents and ~~((applicable examination))~~ application fee; or

(b) Apply to take both parts of the ASBOG examination after you meet all other licensure requirements outlined in WAC 308-15-040 by submitting a completed license application packet and ~~((applicable examination and license))~~ application fee~~((s))~~.

(2) **Fees:** You must submit the ~~((applicable))~~ application fee~~((s))~~ with your application prior to the application deadline. ~~((If you do not qualify to take the examination, only your examination fee will be refunded.))~~ Fees are listed in WAC 308-15-150. Following approval of your application you must submit your examination fees directly to ASBOG prior to the deadline specified by ASBOG.

(3) **Special accommodations:** If you have a disability, the board will provide accommodations consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act. You must request special accommodations at least ninety days before the examination date.

(4) **Notification of scoring:** The board will notify you by mail of your examination score within ninety days of taking the examination.

(5) **Failing the examination:**

~~((a) You may request that your examination be manually graded by submitting a written request and the fee specified in WAC 308-15-150.~~

~~((b))~~ You may apply to retake the examination by submitting a written request and the administrative fee~~((s))~~ for reexamination specified in WAC 308-15-150. You must submit the examination fee directly to ASBOG by the deadline specified by ASBOG.

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WAC 308-15-150 Fees. (1) Suspension of fees. Effective March 1, 2006, the listed fees shown in subsection (2) of this section are suspended and replaced with the following:

Renewal Fees

<u>Annual renewal fee for geologist</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>
<u>Annual renewal for each specialty</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>
<u>Annual renewal for geologist, with late fee (if paid ninety days or more after due date)</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>
<u>Annual renewal fee for each specialty, with late fee (if paid ninety days or more after due date)</u>	<u>\$50.00</u>

The fees set forth in this section shall revert back to the fee amounts shown in WAC 308-15-150 on July 1, 2008.

(2) Fees.

Type of Fee	Amount
Application fees - includes initial license	
Application fee for geologist((—)) <u>(applying by examination)</u>	\$100.00
Application fee for each specialty((—)) <u>(applying by examination)</u>	\$100.00
Application fee for geologist((—)) <u>(applying by reciprocity)</u>	\$200.00
Application fee for each specialty((—)) <u>(applying by reciprocity)</u>	\$150.00
Examination fees	
((Fundamentals of Geology (vendor charge)	\$125.00
Practice of Geology (vendor charge)	\$150.00))
<u>Fees for the fundamentals of</u> <u>geology and practice of geology</u> <u>examinations are submitted directly to</u> <u>ASBOG</u>	
Administration fee for reexamination	\$65.00
((Late fee (if scheduled less than thirty days before examination date— vendor charge)	\$25.00
Manual regrade (vendor charge)	\$50.00))
Specialty examination (hydrogeologist or engineering geologist exam)	\$300.00

((Administrative fee for regrade	\$15.00))
Renewal fees	
Annual renewal fee for geologist	\$100.00
Annual renewal fee for each specialty	\$85.00
Annual renewal for geologist, with late fee (<i>if paid ninety days or more after due date</i>)	\$200.00
Annual renewal for each specialty, with late fee (<i>if paid ninety days or more after due date</i>)	\$170.00
Miscellaneous fees	
Duplicate license or wall certificate	\$25.00
Certification of license records to other jurisdictions	\$45.00
Proctor examination for another jurisdiction	\$100.00